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“I believed he was going to rape me.”
— Christine Blasey Ford



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Testimony: Nominee, accuser both 100 percent certain of what happened

By Greg Stohr, Laura Litvan, Arit John, Steven T. Dennis and Jennifer Jacobs
Bloomberg News

WASHINGTON » Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh angrily, tearfully and “unequivocally” denied sexually assaulting Christine Blasey Ford, after she told senators at a dramatic hearing that she’s “one hundred percent” certain he is the one who attacked her when they were teenagers.
During the hearing, both Ford and Kavanaugh said they were 100 percent certain their
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Analysis: A day of explosive testimony fuels partisan brawl

By Dan Balz
The Washington Post

Whatever anyone intended, Thursday’s hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee devolved into the worst of Washington. It was a partisan brawl on steroids that will leave the country more deeply divided than before. It ended as many had feared it would, a she-said, he-said moment that left senators with no easy out on the question of whether to confirm Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court.
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Reactions: Tears, cheers from Palo Alto to Bakersfield

By Julia Prodis Sulek and Casey Tolan
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In Christine Blasey Ford’s liberal hometown of Palo Alto, women were reduced to tears Thursday listening to the professor’s agonizing testimony of her sexual assault. In the Republican stronghold of Bakersfield, men at a bar cheered as Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh vigorously defended himself. The reactions to the historic testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee were as polarized as the comments and questions
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The science behind Christine Blasey Ford’s testimony. **A8**
Dianne Feinstein, Kamala Harris in the spotlight. **A6**

“I’m telling the truth. I’m innocent.”
— Brett Kavanaugh



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Tesla CEO facing fraud charges stemming from announcement he wanted to take company private.

AGENCY SAYS ACTIONS CAUSED ‘HARM TO INVESTORS’

US regulators charge Musk with fraud

Securities and Exchange Commission sues the Tesla CEO over tweet that he was taking company private

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In a blockbuster move Thursday, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filed fraud charges

against Tesla CEO Elon Musk, and is seeking to ban the electric-car maker’s high-profile boss from running any publicly traded company. Filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York,

the charges are related to Musk’s August announcement that he wanted to take Tesla private for \$420 a share. Musk dropped the bombshell idea in an Aug. 7 tweet in which he said he had “funding secured” to take Tesla private, but provided no financing details at that time. “Neither celebrity status, nor reputation as a technological innovator,

provide an exemption from the federal securities laws,” Stephanie Avakian, co-director of enforcement for the SEC, said during a news conference Thursday. According to the SEC, Musk’s statements “falsely indicated that, should he so choose, it was virtually certain that he could take Tesla
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